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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION,

Plaintiff,

vs.

OMAR EL-ACHKAR, HALLOUN MALEK
KHARRAT, AL DAHER AHMAD YAACOUB,
AND ONE OR MORE UNKNOWN TRADERS IN
THE SECURITIES OF GENERAL
COMMUNICATION, INC.,

Defendants.

Case No. 1:17-cv-02659-KPF

**AFFIDAVIT OF LYNN M. DEAN
IN SUPPORT OF PLAINTIFF
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE
COMMISSION'S REQUEST FOR
ISSUANCE OF A CERTIFICATE
OF DEFAULT AS TO
DEFENDANT HALLOUN MALEK
KHARRAT**

I, Lynn M. Dean, pursuant to 17 U.S.C. §1746, declare as follows:

1. I am a member of the Bar of State of California and am admitted *pro hac vice* in this action. I am associated with the Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC"), plaintiff in the above-titled action and I am familiar with all the facts and circumstances in this action.

2. I make this declaration pursuant to Rule 55.1 of the Civil Rules for the Southern District of New York, in support of plaintiff's application for Clerk's entry of default against defendant Halloun Malek Kharrat ("Kharrat").

3. Defendant Kharrat is an adult resident of the country of Lebanon. He is not an infant, not in the United States military, and is not an incompetent person.

4. This action was commenced on April 13, 2017, by the filing of the summons and complaint. Dkt. No. 1. On August 18, 2017, the SEC served the Summons and First Amended Complaint in this matter on Kharrat by International UPS and filed proof of service with the Court on August 29, 2017. Dkt. No. 44. As a result, pursuant to Rule 12(a) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, Kharrat was required to serve and file a response to the Complaint no later than September 19, 2017. To date, the SEC has received no response to the Complaint from Kharrat. Accordingly, plaintiff requests the issuance of a certificate of default against defendant Kharrat.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Dated: Los Angeles, California
March 27, 2018

/s/ Lynn M. Dean

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PROOF OF SERVICE

I am over the age of 18 years and not a party to this action. My business address is:

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On March 27, 2018, I caused to be served the document entitled **AFFIDAVIT OF LYNN M. DEAN IN SUPPORT OF PLAINTIFF SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION'S REQUEST FOR ISSUANCE OF A CERTIFICATE OF DEFAULT AS TO DEFENDANT HALLOUN MALEK KHARRAT** on all the parties to this action addressed as stated on the attached service list:

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I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.

Date: March 27, 2018

/s/ Lynn M. Dean

Lynn M. Dean

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